## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Attn: Mail Stop Amendment

Tadashi SAO et al. : Patent Art Unit: 3744

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>	PAID FOR	EXTRA	RATE FEE	RATE FEE
TOTAL 22	- 22 =	0	<u>x 26 = \$</u>	x 52 = \$
INDEP 2	- 3 =	0	<u>x 110 = \$</u>	x 220 = \$
[ ] 1ST PRESENTAT	TION OF MULT. DE	P. CLAIM_	+ 195 = \$	+ 390 = \$
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